



VIOLET COTTAGE.

LLANDOVERY,

21st JULY, 1943.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Llandovery.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit to you my Annual Report for the year ended December 31st, 1942.

Area of the District in Acres	...	...	...	...	1209
Number of Inhabited Houses	...	...	...	...	635
Number of Families living in separate Houses	...	...	...	...	Nil

Rateable Value ... £6575. Sum represented by a Penny Rate ... £26

There have been no alteration of Legislation in force (local Acts, Bye-laws, etc.) since the last Survey Report. The district is purely Agricultural and immune from any smoke nuisances and is a small Country Town.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births and Births.

							M	F.
Live Births	Legitimate	...	...	...	...	31	19	12
	Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	2	1	1
Still-Births	Legitimate	...	...	...	...	Nil	Nil	Nil
	Illegitimate	...	...	...	...	1	1	Nil

Deaths and Deaths

						M.	F.
Deaths	...	...	...	...	31	17	14

Deaths from Puerperal Causes :—

No. 29 (Registrar-General's Short List)—Puerperal Sepsis...	None.	...	...	Total—Nil.
No. 30 Ditto Other Puerperal Causes...	None.	...	...	Total—Nil.

Death Rate of Infants under one year of age :—

All Infants per 1000 live births	...	...	...	...	1
Legitimate Infants per 1000 legitimate live births	...	...	...	...	1
Illegitimate Infants per 100 illegitimate live births	...	...	...	...	Nil

Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	...	...	...	...	3
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	...	...	...	...	Nil
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	...	...	...	...	Nil
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under two years of age)	...	...	...	...	Nil

There have been no cases of Sickness or invalidity which have been specially noteworthy in the borough during the year, neither have there been any conditions of occupations or environment which appeared to have had a prejudicial effect on health.

There were no epidemics during the period, and the general health of the residents of the Borough were exceptionally good.

Zymotic Diseases.

There were no Diphtheria, no Erysipelas, five Whooping Cough, no Measles, three Scarlet Fever, and no Pneumonia cases notified in the Borough, and every precaution was taken to avoid a spread of the disease, and it is gratifying to state that there were no deaths.

Immunisation of School Children was carried out. 68 per cent. of children under 5, and 89 per cent. of children 5 to 15 years of age were immunised.

Meat and Food.

No action was taken with regard to Meat and other Food inspection or under the Food and Drug Act. But there is a Food Committee to see that the Regulations regarding Rationing of Food are carried out.

Factory and Workshops.

All these have been found clean and well ventilated.

Bakehouses.

These have been inspected and found perfectly clean, and an additional one has been completed satisfactorily.

Tuberculosis.

It is gratifying to state that there has been only one death from Tuberculosis during the year.

Maternity and Child Welfare.

This continues to do very useful work in the Town and District, and is much appreciated and found of considerable help by the mothers. The Centre is well attended and keen interest is taken by the mothers and officials. Sessions are held every fortnight, at which short Lectures are delivered by the Medical Officer of Health. Afternoon Teas are also provided by the Committee. There has been no development or change in the Maternity and Child Welfare Centre in the Borough. The District Nurse has proved most useful and attentive.

Inspections made by Sanitary Inspector.

The Sanitary Inspector has made several inspections, and practically all the suggestions have been carried out after notice given to the owners. Drains are frequently disinfected, and the Cattle Market is kept clean, notwithstanding its frequent use for Marts, Fairs, and Stock Sales. The Roadways in the Market have been tar macadamised. The nature of the inspections comprised drainage ; cesspits ; slaughter houses ; bakehouses ; cowsheds ; chimneys ; troughings on houses ; loose slates on roofs and schools. House refuse is now dumped in a field situated a considerable distance from the town. The placing of offensive rubbish on the highway has been practically stopped. Caravans are not permitted to remain near dwelling houses, and gipsies found camping on Green Lodge are removed.

Housing Statistics and Conditions.

The statistics and conditions as to Housing remains the same as in the previous year. Owing to the war no additional houses have been erected in the Borough by the Council or by private enterprise.

Electricity.

Electric Light has been provided in the Borough.

Schools.

The College, County School, Senior School and Council School have been visited by myself and the Sanitary Inspector and found satisfactory. No School was closed on account of infectious diseases.

Milk and Dairies Act.

In the Borough a great deal of Milk Selling takes place. The milk is of good quality on the whole and no complaints have been made. The Cow Sheds are now kept clean as they should be. The walls white-washed oftener. The owners have kept their promise to improve matters. Steps were taken to have a Bacteriological examination of Milk, and the milk was found of good quality. There are no Tubercular persons employed in the Milk business.

Number of Retailers within the area	...	...	...	10
Number of Retailers outside the area	...	...	...	4
Number of Producers inside the area	...	...	...	7
Number of Producers outside and also Retailers	...	...	...	3

Shop Act.

No action has been taken under the provisions of the Shop Act, 1934, regarding ventilation and temperature of Shops and Sanitary arrangements.

Cancer.

There has been no campaign against Cancer.

Tuberculosis—New Cases and Mortality during 1942.

Age Period.	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
	Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.		Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.	
27 to 29 ...	2	None	None	None	None		None	
43 ...	None	1	None	None		1	None	
Total ...	2	1	None	None		1	None	

The efficiency of Notification of Tuberculosis in the area is thorough and deserves commendation.

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during year 1942.

Disease.	Age.	Total Cases Notified.	Cases admitted to Hospital.	Total Deaths.
Scarlet Fever... ..	5, 10, 17	Three	None	None
Whooping Cough ...	5 years to 7 years	Five	None	None
Total		8		

I remain,

Your obedient Servant,

JOHN THOMAS PRICE, M.D.,

Medical Officer of Health for the Llandoverly Borough.

